

The Grace of Love

The Most Necessary Grace

"Above all things put on love, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts." (Col. 3:14-15)

The most necessary grace is love. As Paul wrote in I Cor. 13, "The greatest of these is love." Love is the bond which binds everything together in complete harmony for the glory of God and the good of one another. Knowledge, activity, zeal, and morality will not bind us to Christ nor to one another. Love will assure that the peace which comes through Christ and the peace that comes from the indwelling Christ will actually rule our hearts, deciding and settling all matters that arise. As members of the body of Christ, we are called to live in love and peace. Let us be thankful, first to God for all Grace and then to one another. These virtues are absolutely necessary; for where love, peace, and thanksgiving are absent, faith is absent!

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